REMARKS

Claims 2 and 5 remain in this application. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7 have been amended by eliminating multiple dependent claims and deleting preferably clauses. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made".

The support for these amendments is found in the claims as originally filed. These amendments are being entered to bring the claims into conformance with, *inter alia*, 37 CFR §1.75; no new matter is added.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

- 1. A textile article is characterized in that at least part of the surface of said article is surface treated with a coating and said coating renders a plane and smooth treated surface to have a static water contact angle (WCA) higher than about 120° [, preferably higher than about 130°, most preferably between about 150° and about 165°].
- 2. A textile article according to claim 1 characterized in that said coating is a fluorocarbon coating.
- 3. A textile article according to claim 2 characterized in that said coating exhibits a fluorine/carbon ratio (F/C) of between about 1.50 and about 2.00 [, preferably between about 1.60 and about 1.95].
- 4. A textile article according to <u>Claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims] which article is water vapour permeable.
- 5. A textile article according to claim 4 characterized in that said article is an outdoor garment.
- 6. A textile article according to <u>Claim 1</u> [claims 1 to 3] wherein said article is a sun roof for a car or a sun blind or awning.
- 7. A textile article according to <u>Claim 1</u> [claims 1 to 3] wherein said article is a swim wear article.